

### **III. REMARKS**

Claims 16-22 are pending in this application. By this amendment, claims 1-15 and 23-25 have been canceled. These amendments are being made to facilitate prompt consideration and early allowance of the presently claimed subject matter.

In the Office Action, the Office requires restriction between two allegedly patentably distinct species of the claimed invention. By this response, Applicants hereby provisionally elect Group I, claims 1-22, without traverse.

In light of the above, Applicants respectfully submit that all claims are in condition for examination. Should the Examiner require anything further to place the application in better condition for examination, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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